

Appl. No. 09/904,578

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments enclosed herewith prior to examination of the claims. These amendments further clarify the claimed subject matter.

No amendment herein made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability. Further, no amendment herein was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim. The amendments made herein now more positively express limitations which were previously inherent in such claims, and accordingly, are not for the purpose of narrowing and do not effectively narrow the scope of any claim.

Applicants respectfully request allowance of all pending claims.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,

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